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COUNTRY East Germany SECURITY INFORMATION REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains at the Wittstock Railroad Station

EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1A

DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED] 25X1A

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 25X1A DATE PREPARED 3 November 1953

REFERENCES [REDACTED] 25X1A

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REMARKS

SOURCE [REDACTED] 25X1X

Troop trains observed at the Wittstock railroad station between 13 and 16 October 1953 included:

25X1 13 October. At 5 p.m., a shipment of 15 T-34 tanks, 3 armored scout cars, including No 770; about half-track vehicles, 8 x 152-mm howitzers and about 15 motor vehicles, [REDACTED], leaving toward Pritzwalk. 25X1B

25X1 14 October. At 1:30 p.m., a shipment of 23 T-34 tanks, [REDACTED] 6 trucks, 8 boxcars occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black caps, and 11 boxcars loaded with ammunition, coming from the direction of Dranse and proceeding toward Pritzwalk. 25X1

15 October. At 11:45 a.m., a shipment of 15 JS tanks, 8 trucks, 6 boxcars occupied by troops and 8 boxcars with ammunition, coming from the direction of Dranse and proceeding toward Pritzwalk. At 1 p.m., a shipment of 8 T-34 tanks, 5 trucks, 8 boxcars, and 10 boxcars with ammunition, coming from the direction of Dranse, and proceeding toward Pritzwalk.

25X1 16 October. At 11:45 a.m., a shipment of 5 T-34 tanks, about 10 motorcycles, about 12 trucks, [REDACTED] 5 boxcars, and 10 boxcars with ammunition, coming from the direction of Dranse and proceeding toward Pritzwalk.

2. About 25 motor vehicles loaded with equipment and furniture [REDACTED] 25X1 25X1B

25X1B [REDACTED] were entrained at the Wittstock railroad station and left toward Pritzwalk at 2 p.m. on 14 October. 25X1B

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[] Comment. Another source, on 13 October, observed 6 shipments of the 16th Meoz Div, including units of the 2511th AAA Regt (US) and the 119th Gds Hv Tank SF Regt and/or the 33d Tank Regt (US); according to the shipments mentioned in the present report the return movement of the Division, probably to the post, continued until 16 October. Thus, a total of 12 shipments were observed between 13 and 16 October. According to weapons observed, the shipments included units of the 105th How Arty Regt from Ludwigslust and, [] the tank battalion of the 59th Meoz Regt from Ludwigslust. These regiments can thus be confirmed until 13 and 14 October 1953 respectively.

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